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E. M. England Collection

Size
9 boxes

Contents
Correspondence, manuscript drafts of poems and stories, copies of periodicals, personal details, scrapbooks of newspaper cuttings and notebooks relating to England’s writing.

Biography
Edith Mary England (1899-1979) was born in Townsville and spent her childhood, from the age of six, on a farm near Boonah in South-East Queensland. She was educated in Sydney and at Ipswich Grammar. She won children's paper competitions for fairy stories in London and Sydney, and edited a small school magazine in Sydney. She gained an ATCL and Art of Teaching certificate, and later a degree in music, which she taught for a time, as well as working as a part-time reporter and typist. In 1922 England married Schomberg Montagu Bertie, and had two daughters, Caroline (1923) and Patricia (1926). Bertie died in 1937, and in 1938 England left Boonah. She apparently returned to the bush when she remarried, to Henry August Anders in 1942.

England had published a number of poems in the Brisbane Daily Mail by the age of 18, and her first collection, The Happy Monarch and Other Verses appeared in 1927. Her work also appeared in the Sydney Bulletin, the Australian Woman’s Mirror, and The Meanjin Papers, among others. Queensland Days appeared in 1944, and was followed by Where the Old Road Ran: and other poems (1970). England won numerous prizes and awards for her work including the Capel Boake Prize in 1948, the Fellowship of Australian Writers Centenary Prize in 1960, the Newcastle Morning Herald (Mattara Festival Prize) in 1962, the Warana Festival poem in Brisbane in 1964 and 1967, all for poetry, and the ABC play award in 1942.

Notes
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BOX 1

Correspondence - Outgoing, incoming (see list at end of document).

Miscellaneous items -
- Biographical details of E.M. Anders Plus details sent to the following directories:
  - Contemporary Authors;
  - Marquis Who's Who Pub.;
  - World Who’s Who of Women.
- Biographical details of Thomas Shapcott.
- Results of Short Story Contest (Independent Schools)
Queensland Newspapers Payment Advice to E.M. Anders 25-10-74.
Music Teachers' Assoc. of Qld. Fees schedule.
Design for the cover of *Tornado and Other Stories* by E.M. England, Designer: Ian Gall.
2 Notebooks containing dates manuscripts sent to publisher and returned, etc.
National Library transcript of oral history interview between Suzanne Lunney and E.M. Anders 21-10-76.
‘Whirlwind’ - news cuttings (1 scrapbook)
Photographs (3)

Other Writers' Works -
BENEDICT, Elsie Lincoln & PAINE, Ralph. *Human Analysis* (handwritten ms.)
FREWEN, Hugh Moreton. *Imogene* (Orig. typescript)
IPSWICH GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Verse Competition poems (1977?)
LUCAS, Llywelyn. *Our shoes* (Radio play - orig. typescript)
LUCAS, Llywelyn. *Pageant of the Rose* (Carbon typescript)
LUCAS, Llywelyn. Miscellaneous notes.
ROSS, Carol. *Wind World* (Carbon typescript)

**BOX 2**

Fragments of poems, stories, plots, etc.
- 1 x Quote for leasing Word Processor 18-4-81 from KSC computer consultants.
- Published play-script titled 'The Tarts'.
- Program of Indoor Pageant Boonah School of Arts, Friday Sept. 7, 1934, 'Once upon a time'.
- News clippings.

Periodicals -
*Scope* [Brisbane Writers Group and Fellowship of Australian Writers newsletter]:
- 1978: Vol. 23 No. 1, 6.
- 1979: Vol. 24 No. 5, 8, 9


Numerous literary competition notices, results, etc.
BOX 3

Short stories, radio plays (Manuscripts) -
- Across the bridge. Andy and the lion (also known as ‘Biggest dingo’).
- Assignment with speed.
- Behind the range.
- Biggest dingo (also ‘Andy and the lion’).
- Blue heeler.
- Bush bachelors.
- Case of the bush bard (radio play).
- Cat at No. 13.
- Celia.
- Challenge of loneliness.
- Corroboree rock.

BOX 4

Short stories (cont.)
- Dark enemy.
- Destiny Bay.
- Devil at the yellow waterhole.
- Eagle.
- Emmaline.
- Eyes in the dark.
- Firefly.
- Goats galore.
- Goodbye cobber.
- House with one door.

BOX 5

Short stories (cont.)
- Jillaroo.

BOX 6

Short stories (cont.)
- Karla.
- Key moment.
- Kids from Short Street.
- Lad from Thunder Mountain.
- Light of learning, 1914.
- Lonergan’s Place.
- Long stretch.

BOX 7

Short stories (cont.)
- Man with gun.
- Mascot.
• Memories of a country town.
• Mindarie Jump-up.
• Much ado in the clearing.
• My wagon days.
• Myall.
• Old man crocodile.
• Oracle.
• Our neighbours and us.
• Phantom coach.
• Pigs in the garden.
• Pioneer.
• Quits.
• Retaliation.
• Riddle at Randall's (also called ‘Secret weapon’)
• Riddle of the fence.
• Secret weapon (also called Riddle at Randall's)
• Silky oaks in her garden.
• Spirit spear.
• Sunday at Hal's.
• To be a mascot.
• Tono's last summer (also called ‘Tine's last summer’ and ‘His last summer’)
• Tuppence plays Cupid.
• Unwilling convert.
• Vanished doorway.
• Voice of the cuckoo.

BOX 8
Short stories (cont.)
• Waiting.
• Wally's walkabout.
• Where the footbridge used to be.
• Whirlwind.
• Whisht now.
• Wild fire.
• Woman like Martha.

Poems
• Adelaide.
• Angelus of the North.
• At midday.
• At the end of the Terrace.
• Ballad of Yandina Water.
• Birdsong in moonlight.
• Blue moon.
• Blue rose (see Blue moon).
• Boundary rider.
• Brolga girl.
• Child in Pine Grove (see The sisters).
• Country neighbour.
• Cronies
• Crucible.
• Curlies.
• Dusk on the freeway (see Nightfall on the freeway).
• Felicity; on the swings. (see With Felicity...)
• Five o’clock drinks.
• For Jenny in the North.
• For Jo: farewell performance (see Memory of a dancer).
• For Tuptim (see Lines for Tuptim).
• Golden labrador.
• Hospital: evening.
• House is sold.
• Hunters.
• Image: man with scythe_
• In hospital: evening (see Hospital: evening).
• Leaves, Autumn.
• Limestone City.
• Lines for Tuptim.
• Memory of a dancer.
• Micky-bird (also called Micky-bird on the lawn).
• Mint in the rain.
• Mosquitos
• Night on the dunes.
• Nightfall on the freeway.
• Of monotony.
• Old books in shadow, midnight.
• On a corner in Queen Street.
• On the Sunshine Coast.
• On re-reading ‘The Rubaiyat’.
• Only the emus.
• Pallid cuckoos,
• + Eaglemont.
• Restless.
• Rough rider.
• Saturday afternoon, Ipswich.
• Sisters.
• Sky overcast.
• Spider.
• Stormy afternoon (see Sky overcast)
• To a favourite poet
• (Sonnet: to....)
• To Carol in absence.
• Two Christmas trees.
• Under the Southern Cross.
• Voice of the didjerydu.
- Wet Sunday.
- With Felicity on the swings.

Collected poetry.
Ballad of Yandina Water (and other poems)
Two nocturnes: I : Under the Southern Cross.
   II: Cronies.
   2. Nightfall on the freeway.
   3. Five o'clock drinks.

BOX 9

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